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Portland, Maine,
March 26, 1917.

Dear Doctor:

I am writing you as a brother dentist in the interest of our State of Maine business, and for the Adjutant General.

I have been called upon by him to secure help among the dentists of this State of Maine to condition the mouths and teeth of the men of our State of Maine Militia Regiments. As you will readily understand, where our men may be called upon in this crisis at very short notice to move to some part distant from their homes, it is of vital importance that the teeth of these men be in as nearly perfect condition as possible. In as much as the Dental Corps is not organized to any extent in this State, it falls upon us as civil practitioners, if we feel the patriotic duty, to help in ridding our militia of diseased dental organs.

The Adjutant General requests you as a dentist to be ready to perform your share in your city or town towards relieving the soldiers of unhealthy teeth, doing such operations upon such a number of men as present themselves to you for service. The details of such professional service will be given you later.

I would like you to notify me at once if you fall in with this patriotic professional part of the State's preparedness.

Yours truly,

GILES C. GRANT, D.M.D.